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STAMPS FOR THE MISSIONS

The Mission Stamp Bureau at Mt. St. Michael's is having its best year. Up to March the sales were over $600, as against $300 a year ago. The goal is $1000 by summer. Stamps are earnestly requested from our houses and colleges A Stamp Associate sent in the following:

"I should like to mention one point of stamp collecting, which I do not doubt you have already in full practice: it is a reminder that the sacrifice of collecting stamps is something very dear to Our Lord. It has all the merit of a very precious prayer, if you but turn to Him and say: 'Dear Lord, here is another stamp for You; take it with my love.'

"I do not mean that each time you gather a stamp for your collection, you make the prayer . . . rather, that always you have the idea that it is a prayer; one that Our Lord will enjoy receiving, and for which, you may be sure, He will bless you abundantly."

ALMA

V. R. Fr. Bolland, the Visitor, made his visitation at Alma, Feb. 26-March 9.

The Ordinandi began their retreat on the evening of March 19, with Father Malaise as retreat master.

For Holy Week, Father Donnelly went to Redding in answer to a phone call from Bishop Armstrong; Father Gaffney, to Giustine in the Monterey diocese.

There is a rumor that the San Jose Water Company is trying to route the new Santa Cruz road through some of its property and maybe alter the layout of the road-bed.

DATES

Retreats:

Los Gatos Retreat, July 6 p. m.-July 15 a. m.

Theologians' Retreat, July 22 p. m.-July 31 a. m.

Teachers' Retreat, Aug. 6 p. m.—Aug. 15 a. m.

Closing of School:

Loyola University, June 13.

University of San Francisco, June 6.

University of Santa Clara, June 5.

Bellarmine Prep., June 12.

Loyola High, Jan. 11.

St. Ignatius High, June 9.

Villa:

Teachers' June 14-26, Aug. 16-22.

Theologians' June 28-July 18.

Summer School:

San Francisco, June 28-Aug. 6.

LOS ALTOS

In March Father McFadden went east to insure the success of the Retreat Convention to be held in San Francisco, June 25-27. He contacted the writers of papers and the speakers. The exercises will be held at the Cathedral and at the Palace Hotel. In preparation for the event the Archbishop has sent out invitations to the American Hierarchy.

In the absence of Father McFadden. Father Hagemann helped out at El Retiro by giving one of the retreats.

For the retreat of Feb. 18 there were 42 retreatants; for that of Feb. 25, 43 retreatants. With 35 for the first week in March, there is a total of 200 retreatants since Jan. 1.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Joe Scott called at Gonzaga, Shanghai, for a visit on his way to the Eucharistic Congress. He enjoyed the visit very much.

Father Vaughant has been engaged to teach summer school to the priests in Los Angeles and in San Francisco. Father McGowan of the Catholic University is conducting a courses in the Pope's encyclicals, and deemed Father Vaughan best fitted for this task. There are three secular priests besides Father Vaughan. The class will have 30 priests in it. There will be one week in Los Angeles in August for Father Vaughan, and another week in San Francisco.

Father Lyons gave the retreat to the students at the University.

LOYOLA HIGH

Faher George Butler is reported very low and going down rapidly. The Archbishop of Los Angeles and the Sisters at the hospital refuse to give any judgment in his case, they have too often been proven wrong by his unusual vitality.

A student was killed in an auto accident on St. Patrick's Day.

Father Henry gave the Novices their retreat at St. Mary's Academy in Los Angeles, finishing it on St. Joseph's Day.

Father Rector gave a triduum to the parish at Oxnard.

Father Leahy gave a triduum to the students at San Francisco College for Women; and also one for the Madames themselves. He gave the Tre Ore for the Madames on Jackson St., San Francisco.

Father Leahy is helping to organize the clergy summer school in Los Angeles. He will teach Communism; Father Vaughan, the encyclicals.

LOS GATOS

Five acres of the old Johnson property, comprising the knoll to the left as one enters the Novitiate grounds, have been added to the Novitiate property.

In February Father McCummiskey lectured to the Juniors and Novices on the sign language. He pointed out the superiority of the sign language to lip-reading, and discussed the great work being done by those who have learned the language. He gave many humorous incidents of his work among the deaf-mutes.

In March 30,000 gallons of oak cooperage were added to the winery.

During March, Father Ferguson supplied Father Ivancovich's place at St. Joseph's, San Jose, for about two weeks.

Father Charles Walsh gave the Tre Ore at St. Clare's.

SAN FRANCISCO

V. R. Father Bolland stayed at the house a few days. Bishop Buddy of San Diego greeted the assembled community in the refectory. On his return from the Eucharistic Congress Cardinal Dougherty dropped in for a brief minute. Also Father Gillis, the Paulist, who gave an address to the university students.

Father Cody preached the Novena of Grace at St. Ignatius; Father Ray Butler, the St. Joseph Novena at St. Joseph's, San Francisco.

The R. O. T. C. of the high school won a trophy for the band and another for marching in the Irish Societies' celebration.

Father Feely has issued another pamphlet on Fascism and Communism.

Mr. Edward F. O'Day, a prominent alumnus, gave a series of six lectures on Literature, on Tuesday nights in March, to a goodly attendance in the college auditorium.

Father Magner gave an address on the Chinese Missions to a gathering held under the auspices of the Junior Sodality.

The new edition of the Following of Christ, by Father Malaise, was off the press at the close of March. Father Talbot offers Ours 30% discount on 10

copies or over, and 40% on 50 copies or over. The retail price is $2.50. The book can be used as a gift or a premium.

All track and field events were cancelled because of rain on President's Day, March 19, but a rally and a buffet lunch were held in the evening. On the day before, an inspection of the military unit was held before the Major General, Commander of the 9th Corps Area; and in the evening there was an all faculty dinner in the college lounge room.

Two more side chapels, those of the Sacred Heart and St. Stanislaus, are being decorated in the church.

Father Rossi is a member of an Italian Honor Society at the University of California, also of a French Honor Society. He is about to be admitted to a Spanish Honor Society.

SANTA BARBARA

Father Joseph Vaughan preached the Tre Ore.

Father Joseph Brolan gave a triduum to the pupils at Notre Dame High.

Brother Peter O'Brien has been assigned to Los Gatos.

Father William Kane, much improved in health, has returned to Chicago.

Father Stack has been much in demand for talks on the Eucharistic Congress.

He also has the distinction of giving the first priests' retreat in the new diocese of San Diego.

SANTA CLARA

In a recent review Santa Clara's motorized field artillery unit won high praise from Major General Simonds, Commanding Officer of the 9th Corps Area.

V. R. Fr. Joseph Bolland was at the University during the week of March 7.

V. R. F. Provincial made his visitation, March 16-23.

A new loud speaker system and radio has been installed in the students' dining hall, enabling them to have music with their meals.

On March 19 Father Regan was transferred from Santa Clara to Point Loma in the San Diego diocese.

Under the direction of Dean George Sullivan, undergraduates of the engineering school are making tests with seal oil to determine its efficiency as fuel oil for diesel engines.

On March 19, Santa Clara celebrated the 86th anniversary of its founding.

A bronze plaque, purchased with voluntary subscriptions of Santa Clara citizens, was presented to the University "in recognition of the football team for its national recognition in competition with the great teams of the nation."

Under the direction of Father Gilbert many new trees, shrubs and flowers are being planted on the campus.

Father Cyril Kavanaugh has begun a series of round-table discussions with the faculty of the law school to discuss the relationship existing between commonwealth law and natural law, taken from a philosophical point of view.

The Clay M. Greene Players will present "Ceiling Zero," an airways drama, in the University auditorium in April. This will be followed later by T. S. Elliot's "Murder in the Cathedral."

Mantillas are being made for the Faculty and will be worn at the Graduation on June 5.

Father Woods has left three bound volumes in manuscript, containing a series of excellent community exhortations. They are worth consulting by any Father who has such exhortations to give. They are learned and helpful.

Father Woods left a box of cancelled stamps for the Mission Bureau. He saved stamps in his life time and was a faithful contributor for the Missions.

The Block S. C. gave an entertainment in the gymnasium on March 18, which was very enjoyable and well attended.

ST. JOSEPH'S

Father Ivancovich gave a two weeks' Mission in Reno.

His place in San Jose was taken by Father Ferguson who besides various parochial duties, gave a triduum to the upper classes of the grammar school.

In spite of the rain there was a regular attendance of some 200 at each of the two sermons during the Novena of Grace.

Father Laherty preached the Novena of Grace in Salt Lake. The Bishop wrote that the attendance was like that of a Sunday Mass. His Excellency closed the Novena with a Solemn Pontificial High Mass.

Father Laherty preached the Tre Ore at Salt Lake.

Father Ivancovich held a meeting in San Jose for Good Friday Observance. Ivan Maroevich and Stans Riley spoke at the meeting. A practical difficulty arose inasmuch as with only two Protestant churches holding services, there is no accommodation for all who might wish to observe the Tre Ore. Protestants attended the meeting, as 50 letters had been sent out to the chief business firms and over 40 persons attended. It was suggested to hold exercises in the Civic Auditorium.

V. R. Fr. Provincial sang a Missa Cantata on March 12 at the Carmelite Convent in Santa Clara, and was delegated to confer the veil for the final profession of Sister Teresa Margaret.

BELLARMINE PREP

Father Fox give a triduum to the pupils at the Madames, Menlo.

He also preached the Tre Ore for the Madames at Menlo.

VARIA

Two of our Fathers are working in the San Diego diocese at Point Loma near San Diego. A certain Father Manuel Rose from the San Francisco Archdiocese was sent there for his health. He built a fine church for the Portuguese and did excellent work. Having regained his health, he was recalled to his own archdiocese. With no one to enable the Portuguese to make their Easter duties, Bishop Buddy asked Father Provincial for help. It was the Bishop's first request and was made by a genuine friend of the Society, it thus deserved every consideration. Father Beiras, S.J., was being secured by Father Edward Whelan for Spanish retreats. Father Beiras knows Portuguese very well and was delighted to go to Point Loma. Then the English speaking people needed to be provided for. Father Regan was sent for them. The Bishop has appointed him pastor for an indefinite period.

On the Tatsuta Maru there were 800 priests bound for the Eucharistic Congress; on the Empress of China there were 900 priests.

A Redemptionist conducted the Novena of Grace at St. Mary's, San Jose. He made it a small Mission with regard to the subjects treated. He read out the petitions each day, and also the many thanksgivings for favors received in the present novena and a year before. This helped the people to realize that the novena is worth whlie. Everyone had a copy of the prayer to St. Francis and all recited it together. The people were blessed with the relic of St. Francis Xavier. Also objects of devotion were blessed for them from the pulpit. They had congregational singing. All of these things made a strong appeal to the people. The sermons themselves were very ordinary, so was the delivery, but the incidentals won the people.

DEATHS IN THE ASSISTANCY

Mar. 5, Br. Edward King, Shadowbrook.
Mar. 11, Br. John O'Connell, Woodstock.

DEATHS OF RELATIVES

Sister, (Holy Name Nun), of Father Mootz.

Brother and Sister of Brother Doyle. Both died the same week, in Ireland.

Exivit John J. O'Connell, 3rd year philosopher.